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Michael Wernert, 10, a student at Glendale-Fielbach School, gets a hand down from driver Clarence Dunlap en route to daily living skills

Under Capital Drive Way

ampaign to correct several long-anding problems at the Sight enter got under way this month. The drive marks the first time in the A \$500,000 capital improvements ampaign to correct several long-

financial help has been sought from the public for capital improvements, said William A. Marti, president of the Board of Trustees. agency's 63-year history that direct

general campaign chairman Thomas R. Day, vice president of Willis Day Storage Company, and of the Sight Center's board of trustees, is

\$90,000 stalling insulation, a job estimated at been assigned to replacing Center's 30-year-old flat roof and Top priority for the new funds has In

a number of safety hazards modernization Other major improvements include odernization of the rehabilitation purchase and eliminating of additional

economy wherever possible to reduce Emphasis will be placed on energy

mid-August future operating costs
The campaign will will conclude in

Daily Children Attracts National Attention Living Skills **Program** TO C Blind

National attention is being focused on a program that brings selected blind children from the Toledo School District to the Sight Center during school hours for concentrated instruction in daily living skills.

grade 12 are included Children from kindergarten through

three with multiple handicaps, Currently, 20 from the district's selfthe blind, plus

Another 37 blind youngsters are considered no longer in need of such training and have been "mainstreamed" into regular classics.

"Our goal is to enable these young people to become independent adults," said Patricia Williams, supervisor of visually handicapped students in the Toledo School District. orthopedically handicapped liams, supervisor of multi-handicapped,

the American Foundation for the Blind, U.S. Department of Education and others displayed keen interest when mechanics of the program were Legislators, representatives from

described at the National Leadership Institute in Washington, D.C., last year, Ms. Williams said.

program A state-wide mandate requires Ohio school districts to provide instruction in daily living skills to sight-handicapped children, but the local program is believed to be the only struction is provided outside the schools, Ms. Williams said.

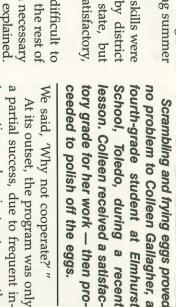
It is the outgrowth of a partnership in the nation in which that

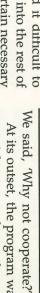
between parents, educators and the Sight Center dating to 1979, when the first group of children was brought to the Center for classes during summer vacation.

taught in teachers of results were not entirely satisfactory, Prior to 1979, daily living skills were ught in Toledo schools by district Williams said certified by the

the curriculum, work daily living skills into the rest of often found it difficult to and certain necessary

equipment was lacking, she explained. "The Sight Center had the training apartment and the professional staff.





At its outset, the program was only a partial success, due to frequent in-terruptions when instructors or the

students' families went on vacation.
Things moved into high gear in 1982, when federal flow through dollars to support the program became available. The current contract pays the agency \$25,000 per year, which also covers cost of transporting which also covers cost of transporting the children both ways in the Sight

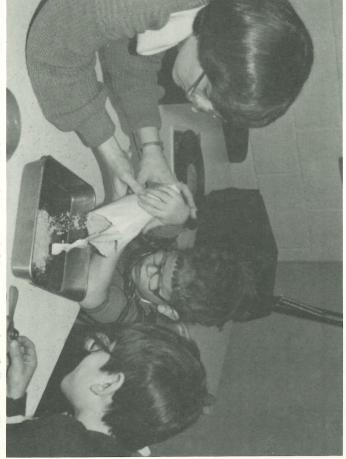
Center van.

Early last year, the Center employed a full-time children's specialist, Pamela Croson, who holds a master's degree University her specialty from Ohio

Among the many skills she teaches are cooking and baking, sewing, identifying coins and paper money, tying shoes, washing dishes, matching clothing, telling time, hygiene, water safety, socia vocational skills, and others. social skills,

Limmer — is also present when class comes to the Center. One of the school district's teachers Darlene Limmer, self-contained units and

(See Children: page 2)



Ryan King, center, and Ryon Luppo, right, were paying full attention to their daily living skills assignment—making a batch of brownies from scratch—when their concentration was recorded by the photographer. Children's specialist Pam Croson lent a steadying hand.

Children .

directed at parents, too. When schools close for the sum-ner, Mrs. Croson goes to the chil-Croson goes mes, where teaching is

"Intensive instruction has really helped these children — especially the younger ones," Ms. Williams emdent body. easily into the mainstream of the stuphasized. "By improving their social and self-help skills, they blend more instruction has really

are doing more washing dishes, "Parents tell us that their children doing more things at home, and so on." making their own

She cited the case of a 16-year-old virtually isolated and immobilteenager blossomed despite into having

ized by over-protective parents who insisted on doing most things for him.

Where once the youth had spent his hours at home listening to tapes with people of all ages outside the and radio, he now takes an active role in family affairs, and mingles easily

been slated to continue participating in it until graduation made such mainstreamed, and have no need of it rapid progres several older blind students who had Citing some of the program's other accesses, Ms. Williams said that s that they are now fully said

another as a janitor. school diplomas and gone on to col-lege, she said, while some have an attendant on a river cruise ship, found employment locally Others have received their one

"These young people don't all have the same levels of ability, and will not pointed out achieve the same things,"

Williams. They ity instructor; Mrs

"Transition:

y will present a Private Rehabi

School — the purpose being to teach him community and home service skills that might lead to employment into the Skill Center at Rogers High in 1981, Toledo Schools were able to place only one visually-handicapped gram's success another measure measure of the pros, Ms. Williams said that DeVilbiss High School of the

dren, another national organization, has also expressed interest.

The Council for Exceptional Chil-

moved into vocational training. In the 1983-84 school year, the number increased to four. Last year, the total in a motel, hotel, or nursing home. The next year, two such students was increased to six.

Smoking in Building

Smoking has been prohibited in the

Agency Prohibits

tudes, more capable, efficient and productive, that they merge more readily into the work force.

"I attribute all of these positive coming "Employers in summer employment, g to the job with better and tell us that our blind graduates, better attiincluding

results to the cooperation between the schools, the Sight Center, and the homes — parents as well as students."

The program will be reviewed by the Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Handicapped at that organization's international conference in Chicago July, 9.

Learning by Doing





Johnny Payton, center, didn't seem convinced that the water in the Red Cross pool on Collingwood Avenue was as great as they'd been told. But before their lessons in adaptive water safety were over, both were crossing the pool confidently with Pam Croson or other instructors.

On another day, John Meach, left, was practicing a different skill—the proper way to clean a washbowl—under Mrs. Croson's instructions. Shawn Cook, above left,

Participating will be Barry McEwen, executive director; Mary Reiff, mobil-Working With Public School Croson and Ms. Rehabilitation Findlay in July Meet Slated for **Blind Chess**

the nation will gather in Findlay, Ohio, again this year for the U.S. Blind Blind chess players from around

again this year 101 Chess Championship Tournament.
The event, sponsored by Ohio District 13-A Lion and Lioness Clubs and the Findlay Chess Club, will be held July 25-27 at the Imperial House

200 blind players, according to Lester Bowman, tournament coordinator for the Findlay Lions Club. Invitations went out in March to

round Swiss match play, beginning with a single game Friday evening, July 25, followed by three games on Competition and concluding consist of fivebeginning with the

plaints from non-smokers, but also due to the growing body of scientific

evidence that proves that the

October,

The new policy was adopted last ctober, partly in response to com-

player is eligible, providing the player is a member of the U. S. Chess Fedfinal game Sunday.

Any blind or le eration, or becomes a member or legally blind chess

tournament time.

Housing and buffet meals will be provided by the sponsors, up to a maximum of \$90 per player, in the Imperial House Motel. Players must Bowman said. make an advance deposit of \$20, Mr.

ployees—in all areas of the Center except the workshop, which is leased to Merit Industries, and in the

cafeteria.

sensitive computer equipment.
The no-smoking rule applies to all

-clients,

visitors,

and

em-

ence of tobacco smoke in the atmosphere (passive smoking) presents a serious health hazard, Barry McEwen,

executive director, explained,

and the

that

tobacco smoke damages



The

honor roll for work com through the Winnetka, Illinois, Two area students were named to te Hadley School for the Blind's onor roll for work completed Sign Post completed

tution last fall Marvin Heminger, Hudson,

Michigan, was recognized work in Braille Spelling/Word Study.

Debbie Preble, Findlay, Ohio, was in Introduction to Microcomputers.

braille arrangement in mathematics, through the Hadley School. studying Essentials who lost his sight in 1979, Heminger, a former Toledoan of Nemeth

Braille I, Braille I II, and Metrics I. as previously completed Braille II, Abacus I, Abacus completed

Dr. Ruth Lindecker, professor of special education at the University of Toledo, was appointed in February to a three-year term on the Ohio Bureau of Service for the Visually Impaired's advisory committee.

consumer advisory committee. The committee advises the State Library of Ohio on program and ters relating to the Ta Inne Sight Center, was appointed in January to the Ohio Library Service's program. Nancy Brock, client advocate **Talking** policy

Jackie Geer became the Center's

formerly en-1 graduate of Stautzenberger Toledo. eptionist last November 18. Ms. Geer, a lifelong Toledoan, employed Center. secretary er. She is College,



sentatives of national associations of the blind and agencies serving an international, non-governmental organization composed of reprethe blind. blindness by the World Blind Union, The logo above has been adopted the international symbol

How Near the Eye Of. the Bull?

The Sight Center Newsletter exists primarily to provide up-to-date information to those who take an interest in sight-related matters. To a lesser extent, it serves as a fund-raising tool.

Because the general area of "sight" is broad, the newsletter contains multiple topics in each edition and presents them in a variety of forms: news items, feature stories, editorials, photographs, letters from clients or other interested parties. Some of this information is set forth in dollars and cents, or other hard statistics. Some is more abstract. Some focuses on the intimate experiences of people who have suffered sight loss, and how they adapted to that loss; or who have lost it and regained it; or who have preserved it by learning that it was in danger, and taking appropriate action.

We try to discuss the many forms of blindness, their prevalence and their impact. Some of our stories deal with trends in medicine or technology; others involve rehabilitation, mobility, volunteer participation, Talking Books or other aids and appliances, employment, travel, recreation, legal matters, actions by our board of trustees, changes in its membership, and personnel changes.

Considerable space is also devoted to acknowledging the gifts of people who help support the agency with their financial contributions.

We'd appreciate knowing how close the Newsletter comes to achieving its goals — what its strengths and weaknesses are, whether changes in content, format, or frequency of publication might improve it, or whether it should be left pretty much as it is.

If the newsletter you received contains a postcard questionnaire, you can help by filling it out and returning it. To reduce costs, we are sending a questionnaire only to every fifth reader. If you wish, you can help the Sight Center limit postage costs by affixing your own, first class stamp to the questionnaire. If you did not receive a questionnaire but would like to, call (419) 241-1183.

Client Comment

The Sight Center frequently receives letters from current or former clients expressing their views on the training and counselling they have received, often describing the changes their lives have undergone. Space limitations prevent printing of all of them, but two recent letters are printed

rehabilitation teacher for the Ohio Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired, who had referred Mrs. Shertzer to the Sight Center for training early last year. Mrs. Shertzer became legally blind from macular degeneration five years ago. The original was written by hand on white paper with a high-contrast, broad-tip, black felt pen. The second letter was written in October, 1985, by Isabelle Sinclair, Port Clinton, Ohio. here with permission of the authors.

The first, from Belva Shertzer, of Toledo, was directed to Debbie Danford.

Dear Friend Debbie,

I want to try and say thank you! I would of cracked up if it was not for the help I have gotten from the Sight Center. Gail (Sheffield, rehabilitation teacher) has had to be a saint. But she has taught me how affected my eyes. I don't see as well as myself real good by showing me and explaining. I try real hard to write — but all the pills I have to take have to take care

er) has taken away my fear of being on the street alone. I go to the grocery store and the drug store alone. And no fear. I am to learn to ride the bus I'd of given up long ago — and Mary (Reiff, orientation and mobility teachone (address) the (envelope) for this ...as I can't get the (address) to fit the (envelope). I do pretty good on short addresses, though, like to my chilsoon — then I can at least go for a ride to get out. Thank you for getting the Lions Club to get me the clock. I will try to write and say thank you...to I am so grateful I can still bake and Also, I will have to have somethough, without her training

me I'm doing better. They can at least read it now.

I hope Thanks again. you and yours are doing

Belva Shertzer Toledo, Ohio

Sight Center 1819 Canton 9 Toledo, Ohio 43624 Canton St

To Whom It May Concern:

I want to tell you that Bonnie Pounds has been a big help to me. provement in doing things. Sivery pleasant and business like Thank all of you. She has made many suggestions that I have followed and enjoyed the im-

Sincerely

Isabelle Sinclair Ohio

(Former rehabilitation teacher E Pounds resigned last Dec. 31 to employment with the Ohio Bure Rehabilitation Services in Colun Columbus.) Bureau to accept Bonnie

Adaptive Training



Group Local USABA Formed

Five local athletes met at the Sight Center in January to organize a Toledo chapter of the United States (USABA). Association for Blind Athletes

summer national championships June 8-14 at California State Univer-The group has begun training hope of participating in USABAs 19 summer national championsh sity, Long Beach, CA., according was Kevin Perrine, the chapter's president.

he added. Sighted volunteers are also Additional members are

track Scott Parker, at 18 the youngest of group, will comp k and field events will compete in various

distance running events easurer, was a varsity wrestler while student at Toledo's DeVilbiss High chool, but will compete in long-Jon Whitaker, 23, and the group's

wrestler and swimmer. Kevin Perrine, 25, will compete as

running events, as will Norman Rutherford, at 47 the group's senior member, who has been running com-Debbie Sierra, 32, and the only non-Toledoan in the group, hails from Temperance, MI. She will compete in petitively for several years

physically fit. Raising money to pay for travel, housing and food represents a bigger problem at the moment than being cording to Mr. Perrine. found if all are to make the meet, pay part of his own part of his own expenses, cial assistance will have to Each of the group can nis own expenses, but

quate funding. be sponsored by The Telephone Pioneers of America, is sure of ade-So far only Scott Parker,

Long Beach this year, we expect to keep training and point for the 1987 national meet," said Jon Whitaker. "If the rest of us don't make

> It was raining the day Jon Whitaker, left, and Norm Rutherford arrived at the University of Toledo to train for this month's USABA meet. companions, they obliged the photographer with several short dashes outside Centennial Hall, steered by their Labrador Retriever guide dogs. the meet. serious: both are training hard course, human but their purpose was sighted running

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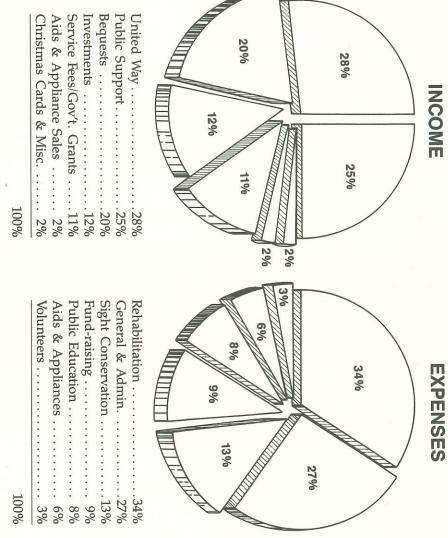
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The Toledo Society for the Blind



SERVICES RENDERED

No. and and the population	1985	1984
Clients receiving rehabilitation teaching	296	292
Clients receiving orientation and		
mobility training	107	138
Talking Book machines in		
clients' homes	2,476	2,483
Pre-school vision screenings	4,901	2,187
School-age vision screenings	18,506	11,268
Adult glaucoma/visual acuity screenings .	6,743	7,924
Persons served, Community Medical Eve Clinic	338	376
Persons served, Community Eye		
Clinic Opticians	321	294
Other sight conservation services	350	269
Hours taping books, articles, and misc	1,186	1,582
Volunteers	434	444
Volunteer hours	12,632	12,256
Approximate number of persons served.	33,524	27,381

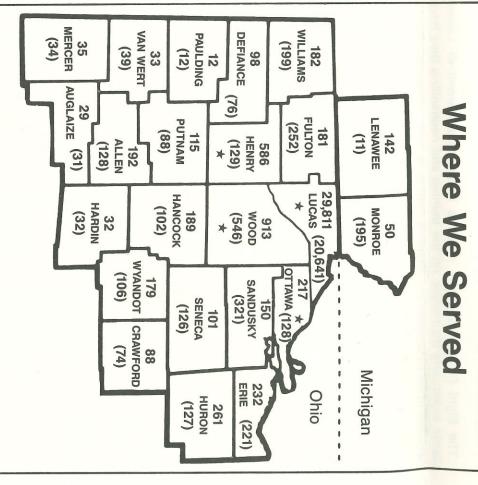
Totals must be approximated due to overlapping in services rendered to individual clients, i.e.: many given mobility lessons also received rehabilitation teaching, Talking Books,

counseling, etc.

Statements of Support, Revenue and Expenses Years ended December 31, 1985 and 1984

The above information is a summary of the operations of the Toledo Society for the Blind taken from the Society's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 1985.

Such information does not include balance sheets, statements of changes in fund balances, or notes to financial statements necessary for presentation of financial information in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The Society's audited financial statements are available at the Society's offices.



The county-by-county distribution of Sight Center services for 1985 is shown here, with comparitive figures for 1984 in parentheses. Totals include persons participating in the Talking Book program, those screened in the Prevention of Blindness program, and those who received direct services such as orientation and mobility training, rehabilitation teaching,

Talking Book services in Monroe and Lenawee Counties, Michigan, are provided by a Michigan agency.

The Sight Center is a member of the United Way only in those counties where a star is shown.

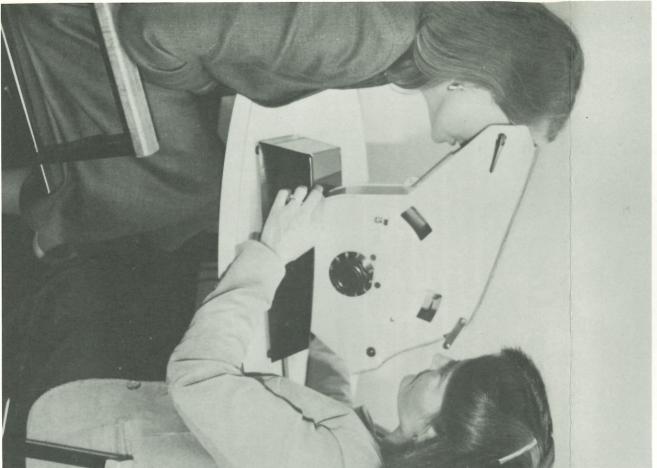


People who have lost their sight are sometimes apprehensive about dining in public, but with practice, self-confidence can be restored. That's what clients Lois Henning (standing to carve meat), Kurt Dial, at the end of the table, Margaret Tobin, and Erestina Zuljevic were doing — practicing their technique on Chicken Diva, prepared especially for the lesson by rehabilitation teacher Ron Pompei.

Rehabilitation counselor Vicki Obee, partially hidden behind Mr. Pompei, also practiced with the group after donning special glasses to simulate

blindness.

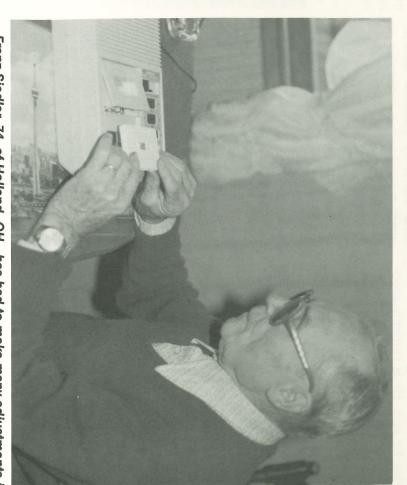
their final exam, the lunch group had dinner at Real Seafood,



The adult phase of the Sight Center's prevention of blindness program was expanded last year to include visual acuity testing. The machine being used above by Patricia Bennett, right, head of the blindness prevention program, is similar to those used in Ohio driver's license examinations.



Blind since birth, 13-year-old Guy Schlosser had to learn his way around a new school when he entered the 8th grade at Anthony Wayne High School South, in Whitehouse, OH., last year. Using materials from a kit designed for such situations, mobility teacher Mary Reiff created a small-scale replica of the school's physical layout, enabling him to develop a mental image of the building and grounds by tracing it with his hands. Guy, who uses a computer at home and in school for study, is also a wrestler and runner.



Franz Siedler, 74, of Holland, OH., has had to make many adjustments in his lifestyle since losing his central vision to macular degeneration last year. Since he can no longer read, he relies on the wealth of material available to him through the Talking Book program, using a cassette tape player on indefinite loan from the Sight Center. Other aids and appliance also serve him well, including signature and letter-writing guides, and special sunglasses. And although he has also had to give up hunting — long a favorite sport — he remains an ardent fisherman.



Frank Lininger Award Named Goerlich Winner

tion cover nearly a decade, has been named 1986 recipient of the John Goerlich Distinguished Service Award. The award was created two years tions to the cause of sight preserva-Frank J. Lininger, whose contribu-

formed ago to recognize those who have per-formed outstanding, consistent serwas the 1985 vice to the blind. first recipient. l outstanding, co selectee. Thomas Goerlich Day

Mr. Lininger became active in volunteer work following retirement in 1978 from Conrail, having spent most of his 45 years with the railroad and its predecessors, Penn Central and its predecessors, Penn Central and the old New York Central, as conduc-

tor on the road.

He joined the Maumee Lions Club the same year, and "just naturally gravitated" into sight-roland gravitated" into sight-related activities, he said. He is currently president of the club, a position he also held in 1979-80, and is current chairman of Zone 4, District 13-A, for Ohio

the Cancer Society, and has served as a collector in the Easter Seal campaign and the Mothers March on Polio. He is also vice president of the Northwest Ohio Lions Eye Bank; erved as area chairman last year of (air-puff) tono-

ago, Mr. Lininger attended classes at Medical College of Ohio to become an operator. He has since worked closely with the Sight Center's prevention of blindness staff to screen meters became available several years service area throughout the sight of thousands Mr. Lininger attended classes at non-contact the agency's 23-county

driver for blind people needing transportation to hospitals, He has also served as a volunteer

ty's 10 Outstanding Senior Citizens in more times than he can remember. He was named one of Lucas Countion to hospitals, doctors' of-supermarkets and other places

grandchildren. daughters, Mrs. 383 by the Area Office on Aging. He and his wife, Maxine, have two aughters, Mrs. William Porter, and Richard Wielinski, and four

Volunteers

gathered April 16 for the Seventh Anteers perform was underscored again this year as more than 100 Sight nual Volunteer Center volunteers and staff memb The importance of the work volun-Awards Luncheon

Together, 434 agency donated 12,632 hours of service to the blind community in 1985, performing tasks that ranged from stuffing mail, from ing books for blind students.
By conservative estimate, their con glaucoma screenings, from sorting donated eyeglasses to brailling or tap chauffeuring b doctors' offices envelopes to 434 blind passengending ices to participating reading from sorting

\$50,000 in time and skills — funds the translate have,

director Barry McEwen pointed out.

Leading the way were three veterans:

Don Burwell, of Luna Pier, MI.,

who rang up more than 600 hours,

mainly in the Phone-A-Friend Program; Larry Barnes, Toledo, who gram; Larry Barnes, Toledo, who specializes in driving; and Henry Nelson, Waterville, who tapes books and drives, each with more than 500

Also receiving special recognition

Marian Purnia, with over 300 hours; John Hirsch, Nancy Burton,

Ends BGSU Graduate Internship

Greg A. Smith, a Bowling Green State University graduate student, completed a 14-week internship in services at the Sight Center Smith, a Bowling Green

April 29.

He is a resident of Wellsburg, Buckhannon. degree in Psychology/Government from West Virginia Wesleyan College, Virginia, and holds a Bachelor of Arts

graduate academic credit for his work here. He expects to receive his Master of from BGSU next August. Rehabilitation Smith received three hours of Counseling degree

Four TU Students Serve **Practicums**

Four University of Toledo students spent 25 hours at the Sight Center in April and May in practicums designed to prepare them for special education teaching.

both of Toledo, master's degrees in teaching of the visually impaired Ismail Shaw and Diane Oreccio, are working

degree. Denise Burns, Versaules, Ohio, is working toward a bachelor of science degree. candidate Mitch Randolph, bachelor Grove City, Versailles IS

Honored or or Services

Most Hours



Don Burwell, center, with 679 hours, Larry Barnes, left, with 517, and Henry Nelson with 584, were each awarded a fired clay pot, hand-crafted by blind artisan Ann Furnas, in recognition of their volunteer contributions 1985

Agnes Rasik, Joe Thibault, Eugene Boyer, Nancy Brock, Ethel Lewis, "B" Miller, Frank Lininger, and Robert Mauk, with 200 or more hours apiece: Jackie Sobecki, Lori Danzik, Kenny Hayes, Doris McCarthy, Virginia

hours. Burns, Karen Jackson, Bill Van Orman, Frank Siska, Lois Henning, Elaine Kohler, Pat Clay, and Sandra Hornbeak, Lewandowski, Alta Baucom, each Pat Clay, and Jackson, Leonard

Reading **UW** for Long Veteran Service

Henry G. Nelson, a Sight Center volunteer who has been taping books for blind students since 1969, was one of three area citizens honored for unusual service by the United Way of Greater Toledo in February.

Violet Violet Cousino, Toled Toddy Patoff, Sylvania, the first recipients of the Henry Nelson, Community of Toledo, and Waterville, were named Mrs. Mrs

of Mr. Morse, who died in 1982 after The award was created in memory half-century of civic leadership

ity, perseverance, and innovative efvolunteerism and social responsibilon the basis of their commitment Nelson and the others were n from a field of 134 nominees

chief of quality control for Owens-Illinois Corp.'s forest products division, will observe his 80th birthforts to overcome unusual challenges. Mr. Nelson, who retired in 1971 as day August 12

he has also been a volunteer driver for the Sight Center. He taught Sunday school at hours supervising and coordinating the taping of books for the blind by other volunteer readers. Since 1984, least 5,000 hours taping books over a He estimated that he has spent at span, plus

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Toledo, taught

Recognized

ville, and was a volunteer day camp adviser to area Girl Scout groups for four years in the 1970's.

He has also served as a companion for 15 years before moving to Water

in recent years and driver to several elderly invalids

strating instruments, dance and vocal music of the Renaissance Period. and Monclova Elementary Schools in Lucas County, lecturing and demonfourth-grade groups in the Waterville Last year, he taught three half-hour ass sessions in music to seven

He formerly played French horn in the Toledo and Charleston, W. Va., symphony orchestras. He no longer he cannot attend symphonies, operas plays professionally, preferrin stead to listen to music, utilizin high-fidelity system and radio preferring utilizing ru-

and ballet in person.

But his preferred avocation is babysitting. He is the acknowledged call on him to sit with their children grandfather adults with families of their own who than 100 people, magistrate many of them now

grapher, an excellent door life retains an avid interest in an accomplished cribbage player,

Waterville, and Kuliau, Fla., and 15 grandchildren. Fla., and 15 grandchildren. His wife the former Grace Stoffel, died in 1969 Mr. Nelson has sons, and Richard, of Thomas, Ocala,

Shrine argest in Circus Memory Turnout

Getting Ready

Sports Arena and children—turned out April 30 for an afternoon of entertainment at the The largest crowd of blind people in memory—125 Shrine Circus in men, loledos

A busload of circus-goers met at the Sight Center for the ride across the river, where they were joined by others who had arranged their own

reaction

from

client

All were guests of Toledo's Zenobia Shrine, which has sponsored the circus here annually for the past 35 years, according to Shrin Rathke, chairman of ushers Shriner

Equipped with special head-phones installed earlier by volunteers

from the America, to a narration by Rich Hoffer, air sonality for WSPD Radio, Toledo under the Big Top act by act, thanks to a narration by Rich Hoffer, air perthe they Telephone Pi they followed Pioneers the

Each also received a bag of peanuts from the Pioneers and a box of popcorn and soft drink from the Shrine. outing drew an Sight Center enthusiastic

said. "I know the Pioneers had to go to a great deal of work to install the sound arrangement. It worked perof the Shriners and the Pioneers Cathy Gill. "I really appreciate the generosity





Ohio Bell's mail department, were busy with lines. Frank Siska, left, a partner of the Pioneers, took time from his usual volunteer work—repairing Talking Book machines Ohio Bell Telephone Company, and Mary Ann McKinney, supervisor of rig the listening apparatus for blind circus-goers. Above, Maris, splicing technician for the control of the co and cassette playersworked several hours beforehand to Telephone Pioneers of America to help out

Exhibit Places First



First place for educational purposes was awarded to the Sight Center's exhibit in the 1986 "Kids Are Special" Health Fair at Franklin Park Mall April 17-18, shown above. Agency personnel, with volunteer assistance from students in the Owens Technical College optical program, screened the sight of 4,729 children in the two-day event.

A Different Perspective



Eyeglasses modified to simulate such forms of blindness as cataract, diabetic retinopathy, retinitis pigmentosa and others gave these members of Girl Scout Troop 280, Temperance, Michigan, a partial understanding of problems blind people must deal with when they toured the Center in January. They are Virginia Carner, Cindy Selle, Ramona Sanderlin, Kitty Kolb, Renee Ladd, Keren Smith and Tina Smith. Scouts Jeannine Meinhart and Jamie Windom, plus advisers Lynn Smith, Brenda Selle and Florence Windom, also took the tour.

Goes **Eye-Care** into **Program** Operation **o** ocally Elderly

tion's elderly, became available in Ohio and Michigan May 5. National Eye Care Project Helpline (NECP), a program to prevent eye disease and blindness among the na-

Ophthalmological Society and th Michigan Ophthalmological Society not have a medical eye doctor. sponsored locally by the medical eye The program offers ophthalmologial care to U.S. citizens and legal 65 5 and over problems, b but who who Ohio

Elderly people who qualify on the basis of age and residence may set the program in motion by calling a toll-free Helpline—1-800-222-EYES—to receive the name of a volunteer oph-thalmologist who will provide treat-ment regardless of the patient's abili-ty to pay, according to an announcement from the American Academy of

Ophthalmology.

The Helpline matches callers with ophthalmologists who are ij. donating their

ment as long as necessary for any eye conditions diagnosed, the announcement said amine the patient and provide treat-Participating physicians Will

> ophthalmologist will accept Medicare payments or assignment of insurance Medicare as payment in full. When a a patient is covered or private insurance,

Patients who have no insurance will receive treatment at no out-of-pocket expense to them, the announcement

ophthalmologist local institution to make hospital care If hospital care will is needed, work

eyeglasses, and prescription drugs are not paid for through the program hospital charges,

are taking part in the nationwide project, which has been opening on a region-by-region basis and is expected to be in full operation by next Nearly 7,000 volunteer eye doctors

1986. diabetic retinopathy by the end of of macular degeneration, ticipating ophthalmologists will have treated 40,000 cataracts, 15,000 cases A three-state pilot glaucoma indicates 3,000 that study 5,500 cases the by

Christmas Cheer



Stuffed animals for last December's Christmas party for sight-handicapped children were donated by members of Zenobia Shrine, Toledo. Children's worker Pam Croson accepted the toys from Shriners Ed Tellam, center, and Frank Mohler.

Memorial Contributions

A permanent record is made of memorial contributions and other gifts to the Sight Center. Memorials are promptly acknowledged in accordance with the wishes of the contributor. The following is a list of memorials, gifts in honor of others, and bequests received by the Sight Center from October 1, 1985, through March 31, 1986.

Leo Adler, by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Westmeyer; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Riser; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Martin; Al and Erma Jacobs; Paul and Joyce Fritz (Wangrin); Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sottek; Paul and Marilyn Proudfoot; Lester Archer; Jack and Paula Stewart; Barry and Cathy McEwen; Judge and Mrs. Reno R. Riley, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Harrell; Dolores Siwa and Lieba Weingarden; Lloyd and Ifolaw

Mercereau.

Frank Balis, by Nancy J. Brock.

Mary Barry, by Mrs. Catherine Minnig.

Cecilia Bell, by Rita Lessintin.

Carl A. Berndt, by Dorothy C. Berndt.

Romaine Bidwell, by Alice M. Champe.

Gertrude E. Binzer, by Edward Binzer.

Gertrude D. Bliss, by Hallie M. Grimes.

Della Brown, by Gladys Frazier; Reba G. Bell

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Della Brown, by Gladys
and Jeanne Rorsythe.

Wayland C. Byers, by Jackie and Jerry Barnes; Martha D. Brand; Richard N. and Dorothy J. Byers; Donald D. and Jacquelyn A. Campbell; Mrs. Mary Ellen Campbell; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Close; Mrs. Audrey Miner; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Norman; Walter and Carolyn Dotorson; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Rex; Rose V.

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Mary Jean Corrigan, by Rita Lessintin.

Eileen Cramer, by Leona and Norman Goldman.

Harry N. DeBock, by The Telephone Pioneers of America.

Olga Diamond, by the Kott Family.

Donald A. Dickson, by Marvin U. Dickson.

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Robert Falconer, by Mrs. Robert Coon.
Norman Fields, by Alma Fields.
Margaret Figley, by Janet B. Smith; Mr. and Mrs. William H. Price, II; Mrs. John Lukens; Mr. and Mrs. George Black; Mr. and Mrs.
Henry T. Mather, Jr.; Juliet A. Howard.
Wayne Gallup, by Mary and Dan Camp.
Harriet Gates, by Doris Newcomb.
Brenda K. Gillig, by Myra H. King; Melanee Smith, Larry and Laurie Gillig, the Virgil Brose Family, the Dan Goodwin Family, Maple Street Neighbors, Fostoria, Ohio.
John B. Grogan, by Glenda E. Ried.
Muriel Halderman, by June and Mearl

Marie Harris, by Theodore and Joan Diller.
Mrs. Walter Hartung, Sr., by Mr. and Mrs.
Norman Goldman.
Fred Heilman, by The Service Department,
Bob Schmidt Chevrolet, Toledo.
Claire Helfrich, by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen
Helfrich.
Angie Hirsch, by Barry A. and Cathy S.
McEwen, Alvin and Madeline Levinson; The
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Dr. Charles Jaeckle, by Ronald and Janet Kaiser, by Mr. and Mrs. Don

Fenstermaker.

Werner Kemper, by Viola Kemper.

Fred Kingsley, by Bessie Kingsley.

Grace Kleinman, by Juanita Carstenser

Gladys C. Kopp, by Ben L. and Lo

Young; Fred J. and Ethel I. Kallsen; S

Young, Fred J.
Young.
Richard Lauber, by Mr. and Mrs. Norman

Michael Leonardi, by Jim, Jane, and Ed Michael Leonardi, by Jim, Jane, and Ed Perry; Mike and Linda Komon and Kids; Judy and Jenny Thompson.

Edna L. (Fern) Logan, by Gladys Frazier; Evelyn Vining.

Helen Lownsbury, by Mary and Dan Camp.

Mrs. Doris Meinert, by Mary F. McPartland.

Wills:

An Investment in the **Future**

The Sight Center receives a considerable part of its income from thoughtful people who have made provision in their wills for assisting the blind. We do not know in advance when these gifts are coming, nor from whom. But year by year, the importance of this thoughtful form of giving grows in importance, providing enduring gifts to men, women and children who must deal with severe sight loss.

If you are preparing a will or are revising one, you can create a living memorial to benefit blind and visually impaired people served by the Sight Center by including the following statement:

I give, devise and bequeath to The Toledo Society for the Blind

Bequests may be made in any form: real estate, money, proceeds of an insurance policy, stocks and bonds or other assets.

We ask that your bequest be unencumbered—that is, not given for a strictly limited purpose or program—because rehabilitation services are continuing to evolve. Programs or services that are vital today could be replaced by more effective methods in the future.

Gifts to the Toledo Society for the Blind will reduce the amount of your estate which may be taxed under both state and federal law. Ask you attorney, trust officer or advisor for information and assistance.

Your generosity will assist sight-handicapped people achieve their full potential as human beings.

Harold Melcher, by Jack and Rita Batesole; Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Geisel; Mr. and Mrs. William Gentz; Barbara Hartman; Mrs. Margaret S. Lindemulder; Mrs. Laurel Matzinger; Barry A. and Cathy S. McEwen; Mrs. Virginia Nestell; Dorothy Ann Radel; Susan and Lee Skates; Kevin F. Smith and Pat Schoen Smith. Bill Miller, by Ferne E. Miller. Marilyn Miller, by Esther C. Hunt. Mrs. Ellen Mumford, by Ruth Brower; Eugene De Angelis and Barbara Fitzgerald; Mr. and Mrs. Doug Gilchrist; Mrs. Pauline Heck; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leonard; Aunt Agnes, Al and Wanda McEwen; Fred Mumford.

Karen Murphy, by Aunt Agnes, Al and Wanda McFwen,

Harold Nachazel, by Janet B. Smith.

Guy E. Neeper, by Mrs. Guy E. (Alice E. A.)

Madeline O'Brien, by John and Rutheda

Arvidson.

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Arthur Pollock, by William and Marion Kelly.

Thelma Reutter, by Louise A. Martin.

Glenn M. Roach, by Connie E. Roach.

Mildred Rothert, by Emeline B. Brandow.

Theresa Schaiberger, by Fern Northcott and

family.

Mrs. Ethel Plotts Seiler, by Herbert Plotts, Forrest Plotts, Jeanette Burlinson, and Julie Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hess; Mr. and Mrs. James Mund; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dauter-

Lois Sharp, by Louise A. Martin.
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Mirian M. Meyer.

Mother of Jack Treuhaft, by Maxine
Lewis Basch. Stanley W. Stine, by Mrs. June Baker. Marie Szkudlarek, by Pearl M. Duganiero:

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Barry A. and Cathy S. McEwen.
Flossie Whalon, by Pauline Dungan; Tom
and Rose Watkins; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lin-

inger; Teresa and Raymond Glesmer.

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In Honor of Gifts

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Baer, by Mr. and Mrs John Burton.
Ronald and Joan Byram, by Allan C Bobzean.

Special birthday of Yale Feniger, by Mrs. Special birthday of Yale Feniger, by Mrs. Gertrude Victor; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Grayson; Syd and Nedra Leach; Marie Wellman; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Basch.

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Birthday of Mrs. Walter Greenson, by Maxine and Lewis Basch.

Special anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Helburn, by Mervin and Alice Levey; Maxine and Lewis Basch.

Birthday of Dr. Jerome Jacobson, by Maxine and Lewis Basch.

Special anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Klein, by Mervin and Alice Levey.

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Bequests

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Laura Schimpf Estate Clarence Hickok Estate